TOWN OF GOSHEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MINUTES – Regular Meeting Town Hall Conference Room

December 8, 2015

PRESENT: Robert P. Valentine, Dexter S. Kinsella, Steven M. Romano

OTHERS: Steven M. Romano, Jr.

Robert P. Valentine called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

<u>IN A MOTION</u> made by Steven M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, at this time the Board <u>VOTED</u> to move outside to the Goshen Center School circle to attend the Tree Lighting ceremony. Voted unanimous. The Board returned to regular session at 5:15 p.m.

<u>IN A MOTION</u> made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was <u>VOTED</u> to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2015 meeting as corrected. Voted unanimous. (Last paragraph, first page, corrects spelling of Mersfelder.)

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES: NONE

<u>IN A MOTION</u> made by Steven M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was <u>VOTED</u> to approve the warrant and payroll of December 10, 2015 in the amount of \$76,229.90. It was noted included in the payroll and warrant was the payroll in the amount of \$25,123,20 and the warrant in the amount of \$51,106.70. Voted unanimous. Items contained in this warrant showed expenses for J.W. Tractor (work done on ambulances) MERA solid waste removal; Energy Services, (air system for filling tanks).

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

FIRST SELECTMAN'S REPORT:

Virginia Perry has begun her position (Administrative Assistant) in the Fiscal Office. Working with Bob Valentine and others, Ms. Perry is found to be a quick learner and good fit for the staff.

Garret Harlow, Public Works Supervisor, has begun using a material screener for grinding millings/asphalt for possible use repairing some roads.

Mrs. Nell Glass has agreed to take the position of Commission Clerk for the Board of Finance. Mrs. Erin Hurlburt has agreed to assume the position of Commission Clerk for the Goshen Volunteer Fire Department.

The WAMOGO Ag-Ed students have delivered a poinsettia along with a giant Christmas wreath for the front entrance of Town Hall.

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Bob Valentine met with representatives of CIRMA and discussed updates of the liability, property and casualty insurance carried by the town, with the intent of avoiding liabilities.

<u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>: Bob Valentine sent a letter to Don Patterson, Chairman of the Recreation Commission, outlining the position of the town regarding the consumption of alcohol by those who rent Camp Cochipianee. The letter also addressed the renovation of the administration building there. Bob Valentine hopes to attend a meeting of the Recreation Commission to elaborate on these issues.

<u>IN A MOTION</u> made by Steven M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was <u>VOTED</u> to add to the agenda: item 9.a Tax Collector's Report – November 30, 2015 and item 9b. Special Town Meeting. Voted unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS:

<u>IN A MOTION</u> made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was <u>VOTED</u> to appoint Judy Finerghty to serve as Ag-Council Alternate, with the term expiring October 31, 2018. Voted unanimous.

Bob Valentine reported that Attorney Chip Roraback has drawn final documents for the Easement Agreement between the Town of Goshen and Richard Cardillo, Trustee for Marie-Elena C. Zampini residence on 29 Lake Shore Drive. A Special Town Meeting is proposed for Monday, December 14, 2015 at 8:00 p.m. at the Goshen Center School Cafeteria to present this to Goshen voters.

The Tax Collector's Report for November 30, 2015 was distributed to the Board members. In a review followed by a brief discussion it was noted that collection rate – collected less refunds vs. total budgeted is a positive 58.07%.

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED to receive the Tax Collector's Report for November 30, 2015. Voted unanimous.

Bob Valentine read aloud the call of the Special Town Meeting:

WARNING SPECIAL TOWN MEETING TOWN OF GOSHEN

We, the Selectmen of the Town of Goshen, hereby give warning to persons legally entitled to vote thereat that a Special Town Meeting will be held in the cafeteria of Goshen Center School in said Town of Goshen on Monday, December 14, 2015 at 8:00 p.m. for the following purposes:

- 1. To take such action as the voters deem best with respect to the acceptance of an Assignment and Grant of Easement Rights from Richard Cardillo, Trustee of the Marie-Elena C. Zampini Qualified Personal Resident Trust Dated July 22, 1996 over properties known as 29 and 31 Lake Shore Drive, Goshen, CT. A copy of the Assignment and Grant of Easement Rights is on file and available for inspection at the office of the Goshen Town Clerk, 42 North Street, Goshen, Connecticut.
- 2. To take such action as the voters deem best with respect to the grant of a well rights easement to Richard Cardillo, Trustee of the Marie-Elena C. Zampini Qualified Personal Residence Trust Dated July 22, 1996 for the benefit of the premises known as 29 Lake Shore Drive, Goshen, Connecticut as set forth in an Easement Agreement which is on file and available for inspection at the office of the Goshen Town Clerk, 42 North Street, Goshen, CT.

Dated at Goshen, Connecticut this 8th Day of December, 2015.

IN A MOTION made by Steven M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was <u>VOTED</u> to approve the call of the Special Town Meeting to be held Monday, December 14, 2015 at 8:00 p.m. at the Goshen Center School Cafeteria. Voted unanimous.

<u>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</u>: The Tree lighting ceremony held earlier this evening at the circle of the Goshen Center School was very well attended by children and adults. Holiday songs were sung and hot chocolate and cookies were served to all.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide